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Biden Announces Arrest of Teacher for Child Solicitation

Wilmington – Delaware Attorney General Beau Biden announced today that an undercover investigation by the Delaware Child Predator Task Force has led to the arrest of a 31-year-old Bear man on child solicitation charges. Scott R. Gibson, of 127 Brittany Way in Bear, was arrested on Friday after he travelled to a Dover park to meet with who he thought was a 13-year-old girl he had met in an online chat room.

“Predators will try to use technology to hurt our kids, but the Child Predator Task Force is going to use the same technology to track them down and keep them away from our children,” Biden said.

The investigation began when Gibson solicited an undercover detective posing as a 13-year-old girl online. Gibson provided a cell phone number for the detective to text him to set up a time and place to meet. After obtaining a subpoena for the cell phone records, investigators were able to identify Gibson, and he was arrested when he arrived at a Dover park for the meeting on Friday evening.

After Gibson’s arrest, a search warrant was executed at his home and detectives seized a laptop computer and other digital media. The investigation also revealed that Gibson was a kindergarten teacher at Kathleen Wilbur Elementary School in Bear, and detectives executed an additional search at the school where Gibson’s State computer was taken into custody.

Gibson was charged with four counts of sexual solicitation of a child under 18. He was arraigned by videophone at Justice of the Peace Court #2 and ordered to be held in default of \$60,000 secured bail. He was taken to James T. Vaughn Correctional Center.

The investigation, including a complete forensic analysis of digital media seized at Gibson’s residence, continues. A booking image of Gibson is attached.

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